COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 0242-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 143

<u>Subject</u>: Allows spousal maintenance to be terminated based on cohabitation.

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: January 17, 2001

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS								
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004					
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0					

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS							
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004				
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0				

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS							
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004				
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0				

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 2 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator (CTS)** stated the proposed legislation would provide a mechanism for terminating spousal maintenance if cohabitation can be proved. The CTS officials stated they do not anticipate that the number of cases in any given year would significantly impact the workload of the courts.

Officials from the **Department of Social Services (DOS)** stated the proposed legislation would have no fiscal impact on their organization.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This proposal eliminates an ex-spouse's obligation to pay maintenance if a court finds that the spouse receiving maintenance has been continuously cohabiting with another person as sex partners for at least 24 months.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of State Courts Administrator Department of Social Services

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